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- (1) The vision of Obadiah {serving Jehovah}. This is what the Lord God {Jehovah} says concerning Edom: We have heard a message from the LORD {Jehovah}, and an ambassador is sent among the heathen {ungodly nations}: Rise up, even let us rise up against her for battle.
- (2) Look and consider, I have given you *to be* small among the heathen {ungodly nations}; you are greatly despised.
- (3) The pride of your heart has deceived you, living in the clefts of the rock, his home is lofty; saying in his heart, Who shall bring me down *to* the ground?
- (4) Though you exalt yourself as the eagle, and though *you* set your nest among the stars, I will bring you down from there, says the LORD {Jehovah}.
- (5) If thieves came to you, if robbers by night (how you have been cut off!), would they not have stolen until they had enough? If the grape-gatherers came to you, would they not leave gleanings?
- (6) How Esau {Edom} is searched out! His hidden things are sought out!
- (7) All the men of your confederacy have brought you to the border; the men who were at peace with you have deceived you, *and* have overcome you. Those who eat your bread have set a snare under you; *there is* no understanding in him
- (8) Shall I not in that day even destroy the wise out of Edom, and understanding out of the mount of Esau, says Jehovah?
- (9) And your mighty ones, *O* Teman, shall be afraid, so that each man from the mount of Esau may be cut off by slaughter.
- (10) Shame shall cover you because of the violence against your brother Jacob, and you shall be cut off forever.
- (11) On the day of your standing on the other *side*, on the day that the strangers were capturing his force, and foreigners entered his gates and cast lots for Jerusalem, even you *were* like one of them.
- (12) But you should not have looked on the day of your brother on the day of his alienation; nor should you have rejoiced over the sons of Judah in the day of their ruin; nor should you have spoken proudly in the day of distress.
- (13) You should not have entered into the gate of My people in the day of their calamity; also, you should not have looked on their affliction in the day of their calamity. Nor should you have laid hands on their substance in the day of their calamity.
- (14) Nor should you have stood on the crossroads to cut off those of him who escaped; nor should you have shut up his survivors in the day of distress.
- (15) Because the day of the LORD {Jehovah} *is* near on all the heathen {ungodly nations}; as you have done, it shall be done to you. Your reward shall return upon your head.
- (16) Because as you have drunk upon My holy mountain, so all the heathen {ungodly nations} shall drink forever. Yes, they shall drink, and they shall swallow, and they shall be as *though* they had not been.
- (17) But upon Mount Zion shall be deliverance; and there shall be holiness. And the house of Jacob will possess their own possessions.
- (18) And the house of Jacob will be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame. And the house of Esau *will be* for stubble. And they will kindle in them and burn them up. And there will be no survivor for the house of Esau; because Jehovah has spoken it.
- (19) And *those of* the south will possess the mountain of Esau and the low country of the Philistines. And they will possess the fields of Ephraim and the fields of Samaria; and

Benjamin *will possess* Gilead.

(20) And the exiles of this army *will go* to the sons of Israel who will possess *the land* of the Canaanites to Zarephath; even the exiles of Jerusalem who *are* in Sepharad will possess the cities of the south.

(21) And deliverers will go up into the mountain of Zion to judge the mountain of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the LORD {Jehovah's}.